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The Honorable Mike Thompson
Member of the Senate
State Capitol, Room 3056
Sacramento, CA 95816

Dear Senator Thompson:

Thank you for your letter of March 30, 1998, requesting a public hearing in Santa Rosa on the CALFED Bay-Delta Program's draft *Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report* (PEIS/EIR).

You may be aware that we have established a 75-day comment period for this document and scheduled twelve hearings throughout the state, beginning April 21, 1998. We believe it is appropriate to wait until that time to begin public hearings, so that the public can use the intervening time to review and understand the PEIS/EIR.

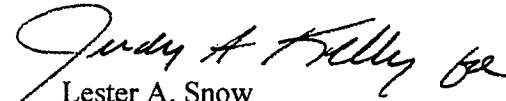
I am pleased to inform you that we have been able to schedule additional public hearings, including a hearing in Santa Rosa for May 28, 1998, in the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors building, Isaac Newton Center.

Additionally, as the enclosed map indicates, public hearings are scheduled throughout the state, and the CALFED Program is accepting written public comment throughout the comment period, which ends June 1, 1998. Written comments can be directed to:

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I hope this information is helpful. Please call me at (916) 657-2666 if you have questions on this matter.

Sincerely,


Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

Enclosure

CALFED Agencies

California The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service